



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BUSINESS LICENSE COMMISSION  
OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES HELD IN ROOM 374A  
OF THE KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION  
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012**

**Wednesday, April 20, 2011**

**9:00 AM**

Present: President Afriat, Vice President Campbell, Secretary Vasquez  
and Commissioner Barger

Call to Order

1. The meeting was called to order by President Afriat at 9:00 a.m.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ben Garcia.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER

3. Approval of Minutes from Meeting of April 13, 2011. (11-1831)

**On motion of Commissioner Barger, seconded by President Afriat, the minutes of April 13, 2011 were approved.**

**Ayes:** 3 - President Afriat, Secretary Vasquez and  
Commissioner Barger

Attachments: [SUPPORTING DOCUMENT](#)

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS

4. Hearing on application for Private School Business License ID #137101, to issue a new business license to Susan Cameron for Muse Elementary School located at 1717 Old Topanga Canyon Road, Topanga, CA 90290 in the Third District (continued from 4/13/11). (11-1257)

**Vice President Campbell joined the meeting at 9:02 a.m.**

**Cristina Hernandez, Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office (TTC), reported this item was continued from April 13, 2011. The Commission requested clarification from Fire Department regarding their comment that the location is reasonably fire safe. Ms. Hernandez reported Robert Gunther,**

from Fire Department, sent her an e-mail with a new approved Business License Application Referral. President Afriat read the email from Mr. Gunther for the record. The Muse Elementary School at the location of 1717 Old Topanga Canyon Road, Topanga, CA 90290, has been inspected and meets the fire and life safety requirements of an elementary school. Ms. Hernandez reported Regional Planning explained in the past CP was the verbiage used for a Conditional Use Permit.

Daphne Carr, representing Susan Cameron, owner of Muse Elementary School, reported on the schools fire safety program and the details of school operation and evacuation plans in the event of emergency. The school has two full time employees as ground control responsible for brush clearing and maintenance of the area. Extensive fire drills and evacuation plans are practiced once a month. Fire safety plan is posted in each class room and each teacher has an emergency backpack. The main exit is a paved exit from the school at top of the property, and the fire access road can be utilized as a secondary exit.

Patrick Dunn, representing Susan Cameron, owner of Muse Elementary School, reported for the last 25 years a school has been operating at the site. He informed the Commission Los Angeles County is listed on the school's liability insurance.

On motion of President Afriat, seconded by Commissioner Barger, the Commission approved the aforementioned license with the following conditions:

Maintain daily inspection of school site for brush clearing and watering as needed

Post fire plans for parents view and continue monthly fire drills;

Maintain access to a secondary exit;

Include County as additional insured on the insurance;

Comply with all CUP conditions and

The 28 passenger bus available on site in the event of an emergency.

**Ayes:** 4 - President Afriat, Vice President Campbell, Secretary Vasquez and Commissioner Barger

**Attachments:** [SUPPORTING DOCUMENT](#)

5. Hearing on recommendation to deny Entertainment-Adult Business License ID #137255, for Bliss ShowGirls, Chewkat Jajieh, owner located at 13217 Valley Boulevard La Puente, CA 91746 in the First District. (11-1819)

Vice President Campbell recused herself due to possible conflict of interest.

Cristina Hernandez, Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office, reported that the application is being recommended for denial by the Sheriff's Department. Ben Garcia, Sheriff's Department reported the denial is based on the following Los Angeles County codes 7.92.050 (F, H) and 7.92.070(B, D and E).

**7.92.050 License requirements - General**

**F. Permanent barriers shall be installed and maintained to screen the interior of the premises from public view for each door used as an entrance or exit to the business.**

**H. All indoor areas of the business within which patrons are permitted, except rest rooms, shall be open to view at all times, which view shall not be obstructed by any door, wall, curtain, two-way mirror, person, merchandise, display rack, or other material.**

**7.92.070 License requirements - Adults cabarets and adult theaters**

**B. No person shall perform live entertainment for patrons except upon a stage at least 18 inches above the level of the floor, which is separated by a distance of at least six feet from the nearest area occupied by patrons, and no patrons shall be permitted within six feet of the stage while the stage is occupied by an entertainer.**

**D. The business shall provide an entrance to and exit from the premises for entertainers which is separate from the entrance and exit used by patrons.**

**E. The business shall provide access for entertainers between the stage and the dressing rooms which is completely separated from the patrons. If such separate access is not physically feasible, the business shall provide a minimum three-foot-wide walk aisle for entertainers between the dressing rooms and the stage, with a railing, fence or other barrier separating the patrons and the entertainers, which is capable of, and which actually results in, preventing any physical contact between patrons and entertainers.**

James Miller, attorney for Bliss ShowGirls, stated due to space limitation the establishment can not comply with subsection 7.92.070 B and E.

Sergeant Jeffrey Walker, Sheriff's Department, Vice Squad informed the Commission keeping the wall requires additional vice attention and the opaque glass is an issue to see throughout the club.

**On motion of Secretary Vasquez, seconded by Commissioner Barger, the Commission agreed to continue this meeting to June 29, 2011, and directed the parties involved to meet and work together on the issues.**

**Ayes:** 3 - President Afriat, Secretary Vasquez and Commissioner Barger

**Excused:** 1 - Vice President Campbell

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### **III. REPORTS**

**6. Commissioners' Comment**

**The Commission reviewed the calendar and agreed to cancel the April 27, 2011 and May 4, 2011 meetings.**

### **IV. MISCELLANEOUS**

#### **Public Comment**

**7. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Committee on items of interests that are within jurisdiction of the Committee. (11-1749)**

**No members of the Public addressed the Commission.**

#### **Adjournment**

**8. Adjournment for the Meeting of April 20, 2011. (11-1833)**

**The Commission adjourned the meeting at 10:15 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for May 11, 2011.**